

## House Resolution No. 2277

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious achievement of an outstanding Missourian; and

**Whereas**, Michele Berra has distinguished herself as the proud recipient of the 9th Annual Athena Leadership Foundation Award; and

**Whereas**, the Athena Award is presented annually by chambers of commerce, women's organizations, and universities to recognize individuals who demonstrate excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession, provide valuable service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community, and actively assist women in realizing their full leadership potential; and

**Whereas**, Michele Berra is the President of Michele Berra Financial Group, and has served as a Financial Advisor and leader in the Financial Services profession for twenty-five years; and

**Whereas**, one of only two women to ever qualify for Lutheran Brotherhood's Hall of Fame, Michele Berra has been a personal mentor to many individuals who wish to achieve success in the financial services profession, and has enabled them to pursue their dreams by helping them to discover their unique abilities and teaching them to focus on their strengths; and

**Whereas**, Michele Berra has compiled an enviable list of service to her community through her support of the Lutheran Association for Special Education, Lutheran Family & Children's Services, Community Living, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Lutheran Ministries Association, Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, the Huntington's Disease Association, and Lutheran High Schools North and South:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Michele Berra at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Michele Berra, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sally A. Faith  
District No. 15

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 2277, adopted April 28, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker